

or its operating equipment. In prescribing safeguards consideration will be given to such factors as:

- (i) The nature and habits of the plant pests known to be, or likely to be, present with the plants, plant products, soil, or other products or articles.
- (ii) Nature of the plants, plant products, plant pests, soil, or other products or articles.
- (iii) Nature of containers or other packaging and adequacy thereof to prevent plant pest or noxious weed dissemination.
- (iv) Climatic conditions as they may have a bearing on plant pest dispersal, and refrigeration if provided.
- (v) Routing pending exportation.
- (vi) Presence of soil.
- (vii) Construction or physical condition and type of carrier.
- (viii) Facilities for treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter, or for incineration or other destruction.
- (ix) Availability of transportation facilities for immediate exportation.
- (x) Any other related factor which should be considered, such as intent to export to an adjacent or nearby country.

(c) *Disposal.* (1) If prohibited or restricted products or articles subject to this part are not safeguarded in accordance with measures prescribed under this part, or cannot be adequately safeguarded to prevent plant pest or noxious weed dissemination, they shall be seized, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of according to law. Whenever disposal action is to be taken by the inspector he shall notify the local Customs officer in advance.

(2) When a shipment of any products or articles subject to this part has been handled in accordance with all conditions and safeguards prescribed in this part and in the permit and by the inspector, the inspector shall inform the local Customs officer concerned of the release of such products or articles, in appropriate manner.

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#### § 352.11 Mail.

(a) *Transit mail.* (1) Plants, plant products, plant pests, noxious weeds, and soil which arrive in the United States in closed dispatches by international mail or international parcel post and which are in transit through the United States to another country shall be allowed to move through the United States without further permit than the authorization contained in this section. Notice of arrival shall not be required as other documentation meets the requirement for this notice.

(2) Inspectors ordinarily will not inspect transit mail or parcel post, whether transmitted in open mail or in closed dispatches. They may do so if it comes to their attention that any such mail or parcel post contains prohibited or restricted products or articles which require safeguard action. Inspection and disposal in such cases will be made in accordance with this part and part 330 of this chapter, and in conformity with regulations and procedures of the Post Office Department for handling transit mail and parcel post.

(b) *Importation for exportation.* Plants and plant products to be imported for exportation, by mail, will be handled under permit in accordance with Part 351 of this chapter.

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#### § 352.12 Baggage.

Products or articles subject to this part which are contained in baggage shall be subject to the requirements of this part in the same manner as cargo.

#### § 352.13 Certain conditions under which change of Customs entry or diversion is permitted.

When plants, plant products, plant pests, noxious weeds, and soil released for exportation, transshipment and exportation, or transportation and exportation, under this part, have met all applicable permit and other requirements for importation, including inspection and treatment, as provided in parts 319, 330, or 360 of this chapter, the form of Customs entry may be changed and the shipment may be diverted at any time to permit delivery of the products and articles to a destination